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**TOMORROW'S FORECAST**

\* The House will reconvene for its 21st Legislative Day on Thursday, February 21, at 10:00 AM.

\* 8 bills are expected to be debated on the floor.



**GEORGIA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**

***DAILY REPORT***

**Wednesday, February 20, 2013**

**20th Legislative Day**

**TODAY ON THE FLOOR**

**RULES CALENDAR**

**HB 122 - Sexual Offender Registration Review Board; review and utilize records of Board of Pardons and Paroles in making assessments; authorize**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 122 allows GBI and the Board of Pardons and Paroles to share confidential supervision records of an offender with the Sexual Offender Registration Review Board.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Kevin Tanner of the 9th

- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

- **Yeas:** 165; **Nays:** 0

**HB 160 - Mortgages; vacant and foreclosed real property registries; revise provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: Section 1 of HB 160 provides cleanup language to the new Code section added to the Property title last year dealing with vacant real property.

Section 2 prohibits future fees on transfers except in limited circumstances such as homeowner's association dues and service fees.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th

- **House Committee:** Judiciary

- **Rule:** Modified-Open

- **Yeas:** 158; **Nays:** 2

**HB 178 - Georgia Pain Management Clinic Act; enact**

- BILL SUMMARY: 43-34-281

This article is enacted to provide for state administrative control, supervision, and regulation of pain management clinics.

43-34-282

Defines "Board" as the Georgia Composite Medical Board.

Defines "Chronic Pain" as physical pain treated for a period of 90 days or more in a year, but shall not include perioperative pain, which means pain immediately preceding or following a surgical procedure.

Defines "Nonterminal condition" as a medical condition which is reversible, where there is a reasonable hope of recovery, and where the patient's medical prognosis is a life expectancy of two years or more.

Defines a "Pain Management Clinic" as a medical practice advertising "treatment of pain" or utilizing "pain" in the name of the clinic, or a clinic with greater than 50 percent of its annual patient population being treated for chronic pain for nonterminal conditions by the use of Schedule II or III controlled substances. This term does not include any clinic or practice owned or operated by a hospital, any ambulatory surgical center, skilled nursing facility, hospice, or home health agency.

43-34-283

- (a) Requires all pain management clinics to be licensed by the board and biennially reviewed. Each location should be licensed if a physician practices in more than one location.
- (b) Requires all pain management clinics to be owned by physicians licensed in the state.
- (c) Allows the board to establish minimum standards of continuing education for all physicians owning a pain management clinic.
- (d) Allows the board to investigate applicants.
- (e) States that owners and physicians practicing in the pain management clinic will be responsible for that clinic's actions.
- (f) Allows the board to deny or refuse to renew a license.
- (g) Prohibits medical treatment or services unless a physician, a PA authorized to prescribe controlled substances, or an APN authorized to prescribe controlled substances is on-site.
- (h) Allows the board to enter into agreements with other states or third parties to exchange information concerning the licensure of any pain management clinic.

43-34-284

Allows the board to deny, suspend, or revoke a license if the licensee or physician has furnished fraudulent information in any application, been convicted of a crime relating to any controlled substance, had federal registration to prescribe, distribute, or dispense controlled substances suspended or revoked, or violated the provisions in this article.

43-34-285

Requires the board to be notified if any of the following occur:

- (1) Permanent closing of a licensed pain management clinic.
- (2) Change of ownership, management, or location.
- (3) Change of physicians practicing.
- (4) Theft or loss of drugs or devices.
- (5) Any known conviction of any employee of a licensed pain management clinic.
- (6) Any known conviction based upon charges of fraud of any employee.
- (7) Disasters, accidents, theft, destruction, loss of records.
- (8) Any other matters the board may require by rule.

43-34-286

All pain management clinics that dispense controlled substances or dangerous drugs shall be registered with the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy.

43-34-287

- (a) Establishes that all licenses shall expire biennially unless renewed.
- (b) The board may require continuing education as a condition of license renewal.

43-34-288

Anyone who operates a pain management clinic in Georgia without a license shall be guilty of a felony.

43-34-289

Any hospital which operates an outpatient clinic with greater than 50 percent of the clinic's annual patient population being treated for chronic pain for nonterminal conditions by the use of Schedule II or III controlled substances shall notify the board annually of such clinic.

43-34-290

Law enforcement officers, medical examiners, the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, and the Georgia Bureau of Investigation Medical Examiner's Office are authorized to send pertinent records on deaths suspected of being a result of a pain management clinic to the board.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Tom Weldon of the 3rd

- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services

- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

- **Yeas:** 150; **Nays:** 15

### **HB 208 - Nursing homes; annually offer influenza vaccinations to health care workers and other employees; require**

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 208 requires nursing homes to offer free flu shots to their health care workers and employees.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Ben Watson of the 166th
- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Amendments(s):** Watson Amendment
- **Yeas:** 118; **Nays:** 40

### **HB 209 - Pharmacists and pharmacies; revise definition of "security paper"; revise requirements**

- BILL SUMMARY: House Bill 209 adds Medicare and Medicaid approved prescription pads under the definition of "security paper."
- **Authored By:** Rep. Ben Watson of the 166th
- **House Committee:** Health & Human Services
- **Rule:** Modified-Open
- **Yeas:** 165; **Nays:** 0

### **HB 235 - Optometrists; revise definition of optometry; remove certain exemption**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 235 allows optometrists to continue to prescribe schedule III-IV drugs. It specifically allows hydrocodone to continue to be prescribed regardless of federal classification; prohibits optometrists from administering pharmaceutical agents via injection; certifies that optometrists may use oral steroids for treatment where appropriate; requires that optometrists 65 years of age and older adhere to continuing education requirements.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Earl Ehrhart of the 36th
- **House Committee:** Insurance
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured
- **Yeas:** 161; **Nays:** 2

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## **COMMITTEE ON RULES**

**The Committee on Rules has fixed the calendar for the 21st Legislative Day, Thursday, February 21, and bills may be called at the pleasure of the Speaker.**

### **NEXT ON THE FLOOR**

#### **HB 126 - Park rangers; any person obstructing or hindering the lawful discharge of official duties; prohibit**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 126 adds a new Code section relating to the obstruction of a park ranger from his or her duties. It creates a misdemeanor and a felony offense.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mark Hamilton of the 24th
- **House Committee:** Judiciary Non-Civil
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/15/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

#### **HB 232 - Regents Retirement Plan; level of employee participation; change**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 232 changes provisions under the Regents Retirement Plan. Currently, a participating employee contributes to an optional retirement plan a percentage of his or her earnable compensation as determined by the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement System at a level that is no less than 5 and no more than 6 percent. HB 232 removes the limit on the level of employee participation and shifts the responsibility of determining the required employee contribution rate to the Board of Regents. This is a non-fiscal retirement bill.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Paul Battles of the 15th
- **House Committee:** Retirement
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/13/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

## **HB 234 - Contracts; new chapter that provides for notice of automatic renewal provisions in service contracts; enact**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** The legislation adds a new chapter 12 of Title 13, that provides for notice of automatic renewal provisions in service contracts; to provide for notice to a consumer prior to the automatic renewal of a service contract and for other purposes.

### **Section 1**

Automatic renewal provision is a provision under which a service contract is renewed for a specified period of more than one month if the renewal causes the service contract to be in effect more than six months after the day of the initiation of the service contract. Such renewal is effective unless the consumer gives notice to the seller of the consumer's intention to terminate the service contract.

Consumer means a person receiving service, maintenance, or repair benefits under a service contract. The term does not include a person engaged in business or employed by or otherwise acting on behalf of a governmental entity if the person enters into the contract as part of the person's business activities.

Seller means any person, firm, partnership association or corporation engaged in commerce that sells, leases, or offers to sell or lease any service to a consumer pursuant to a service contract.

Service contract is a written contract for the performance of services for a specified period of time.

Code Section 13-12-2 states that any seller sells, lease, or offers to sell or lease any service to a consumer pursuant to a service contract that has an automatic renewal provision shall disclose the automatic renewal provision clearly and conspicuously in the contract or contract office.

Code Section 13-12-3 provides that any seller that sells leases or offers to sell or lease any service to a consumer under a service contract for 12 months or more and that automatically renews for a specified period of more than one month, unless the consumer cancels the contract, shall provide the consumer with written or electronic notification of the automatic renewal process. The notification shall be provided to the consumer no less than 30 days or no more than 60 days before the cancellation deadline pursuant to the automatic renewal provision.

Such notice shall disclose clearly and conspicuously (1) that unless the consumer cancels the contract that the contract will automatically renew; and (2) the methods by which the consumer may obtain details of the automatic renewal provision and cancellation procedure, including contacting the seller at a specified telephone number or address, referring to the contract or any other method.

Code Section 13-12-4, provides that this chapter shall not apply to: (1) a financial institution as provided in Chapter 1 or 2 of Title 7 or any depository institution as defined in 12 U.S.C. Section 1813©(2); (2) a foreign bank maintaining a branch or agency licensed under the laws of any state of the United States; (3) any subsidiary or affiliate of an entity provided in paragraph (1) or (2) of this Code Section; or (4) any electric utility as provided in Chapter 3 of Title 46.

Code Section 13-12-5 provides that a violation of this chapter renders the automatic renewal provision of a contract void and unenforceable.

### **Section 2**

This Act shall become effective on July 1, 2013 and shall apply only to contracts entered into on or after that date.

### **Section 3**

All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Lynn Ratigan Smith of the 70th
- **House Committee:** Agriculture & Consumer Affairs
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/13/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

## **HB 254 - Motor vehicles; electronic proof of insurance may be accepted under certain circumstances; provide**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** HB 254 allows an electronic copy of ones "proof of insurance" to be accepted by law enforcement as actual porof of valid insurance. Currently, only the paper copy issued by the individuals insurance company is acceptable.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Bruce Williamson of the 115th
- **House Committee:** Insurance
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/13/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

**HB 255 - Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005; administration responsibilities from Department of Revenue to Department of Public Safety; transfer**

- BILL SUMMARY: This legislation moves responsibility of administration of the Unified Carrier Registration Act of 2005 from the Department of Revenue to the Department of Public Safety.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Terry Rogers of the 10th
- **House Committee:** Public Safety & Homeland Security
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/12/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

**HB 264 - Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Act of 1965; extensively revise**

- BILL SUMMARY: The bill is an extensive rewrite of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Act of 1965, or the MARTA Act.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th
- **House Committee:** Transportation
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

**HB 265 - Mass transportation; suspension of restrictions on the use of annual proceeds from sales and use taxes by public transit authorities; repeal provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: The bill is repealing the composition of the board of directors of MARTA and the 50/50 restriction language from the Code in the event that House Bill 264 passes. If HB 264 does not pass, the repeal would not go into effect.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Mike Jacobs of the 80th
- **House Committee:** Transportation
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Structured

**HB 286 - Hawkinsville, City of; Pulaski County; create and incorporate new political body corporate under name Hawkinsville-Pulaski County, Georgia**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide a unified form of government for the City of Hawkinsville and Pulaski County and to provide for its powers and duties.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Buddy Harden of the 148th
- **House Committee:** Intragovernmental Coordination
- **House Committee Passed:** 2/14/2013
- **Rule:** Modified-Open

***\* The Rules Committee will next meet on Thursday, February 21, at 9:00 AM, to set the Rules Calendar for the 22nd Legislative Day.***

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# **COMMITTEE ACTION REPORT**

## **Agriculture & Consumer Affairs**

### **HB 298 - Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products; create**

- BILL SUMMARY: The bill amends Chapter 8 of Title 2 of the O.C.G.A. relating to agricultural commodities promotion, to create the Agricultural Commodity Commission for Georgia Grown Products, to provide for the operation and the function of the commodity commission and for other purposes.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Robert Dickey of the 140th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Economic Development & Tourism**

### **HB 318 - Georgia Tourism Development Act; revise certain definitions; provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: House bill 318 makes changes to the Georgia Tourism Development Act.

- The term “agreement” means an agreement for a tourism attraction project between the Department of Community Affairs and an approved company.
  - “Annual sales and use tax” means state sales and use taxes remitted to the state that were generated by sales to the general public at the approved tourism attraction during the calendar year immediately preceding the date of the tax refund claim.
  - An “approved company” must be an entity that has submitted an approved application to undertake a tourism attraction project. Only one company may be approved per project.
  - For a project to be considered an “approved tourism attraction,” the Governor must approve said project and it must have become operational and opened to the public.
  - “Incremental sales and use tax” is defined as taxes remitted to the state that were generate by sales to the general public at the approved tourism attraction from the date on which construction of the expansion project is completed through the end of the calendar year immediately preceding the date of filing the refund claim, less the state sales and use taxes remitted to the state that were generated by the general public during the 12 month period immediately preceding the commencement of the construction.
  - “Local sales and use tax” is defined as any sales and use tax levied and imposed in an area consisting of less than the entire state.
  - A “sales and use tax refund” is the amount equal to the lesser of the annual sales and use tax or 2.5% of the total of all approved costs incurred at any time prior to January 1st of the year the claim is filed.
  - “Tourism attraction” is defined as a cultural or historical site; a recreation or entertainment facility; a convention hotel and conference center; an automobile race track, including, but not limited to, the Atlanta Motor Speedway, with other tourism amenities; a golf course facility with other tourism amenities; marinas and water parks with lodging and restaurant facilities designed to attract tourists; or a Georgia crafts and products center.
  - Tourism attractions will not be primarily devoted to the retail sale of goods, shopping centers, restaurants, or movie theaters.
  - The Governor will have the sole discretion to grant an approved company a sales and use tax refund for new projects or an incremental sales and use tax refund for expansions of existing tourism attractions.
  - The term of the agreement granting a refund will be ten years, commencing on the date the attraction opens and begins to collect taxes or, for an expansion, the date construction is complete.
  - For each calendar year or partial calendar year occurring during the term of the agreement, the company will file a claim with the Department of Revenue for a refund by March 31st of the following year.
  - No sales and use tax refund will be granted to a company that is simultaneously receiving any other state tax incentive associated with any one tourism attraction project.
  - Refunds will be made without interest.
  - Applications must be filed with the Department of Community Affairs, which will also be responsible for reviewing the compliance of an agreement.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Ron Stephens of the 164th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Economic Development & Tourism**

### **HB 338 - Georgia Council for the Arts; role of arts in economic development and other vital functions to the state; clarify**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** The legislation clarifies the role of the Georgia Council for the Arts as it relates to economic development by making the council an advisory body. The council will be made up of nine members, appointed by the Governor, serving three year terms. Council members will represent a broad array of major fields of the arts and creative industries, and will be a balanced representation of the entire state. The Governor will appoint a chairperson on an annual basis for a term ending on June 30th of the year following his or her appointment. The chairperson will be responsible for calling upon the council to meet at least twice per fiscal year.

The council will advise the Governor through the Department of Economic Development on how best to advance the arts in education, tourism, community development, and economic development in Georgia. They will also assist local governments and communities to plan, build, and connect the arts to their tourism, community, and economic development initiatives.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Joe Wilkinson of the 52nd

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Energy, Utilities & Telecommunications**

### **HB 176 - Mobile Broadband Infrastructure Leads to Development (BILD) Act; enact**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** House bill 176 is known as the "Mobile Broadband Infrastructure Leads to Development (BILD) Act." The legislation will allow previously approved wireless support structures and wireless facilities to be modified or collocated without additional zoning or land use review beyond that which is typically required by the local governing authority for the issuance of building or electrical permits, as long as the proposed modifications do not substantially change the size of the existing structures. Limitations on the time allowed for review of new wireless facilities and fees charged for such by local governing authorities are outlined as well.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Don Parsons of the 44th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Health & Human Services**

### **HB 315 - Nurses; continuing competency requirements as requirement for license renewal; provide**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** House Bill 315 provides continuing competency requirements for nurses. Beginning in the 2016 license renewal cycle, applicants must satisfy one of the following continuing competency requirements.

- 1.) 30 hours of continuing education hours.
- 2.) Maintenance or certification by a national certifying body.
- 3.) Completion of an academic program of study in nursing.
- 4.) Verification of competency by a health care facility in which the nurse practiced 500 hours.
- 5.) Other activities as prescribed and approved by the board.

A non-practicing nurse may request that their license be placed on inactive status. To restore an inactive license, the licensee must submit an application, pay a fee, and provide evidence of competency to resume practice.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Sharon Cooper of the 43rd

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Health & Human Services**

### **HB 317 - Medical Practice Act of the State of Georgia; administrative medicine licenses; provide**

- **BILL SUMMARY:** House Bill 317 amends the Code Section to allow for "administrative medicine" to be defined and licensed in the State of Georgia.

The bill defines "administrative medicine" as "administration or management utilizing the medical and clinical knowledge, skill, and judgment of a licensed physician capable of affecting the health and safety of the public or any person but shall not include the practice of medicine."

People practicing administrative medicine are subject to the same provisions and rules of the board as a full licensed, but are not authorized to engage in the practice of medicine.

The Medical Composite Board is required to adopt rules for the issuance of an administrative medicine license. These rules must include:

- 1.) Eligibility for the license.
- 2.) Issuance and renewal of the license.
- 3.) The fees applicable to the license.

- 4.) Continuing education requirements.
- 5.) The scope of practice of a person who holds the license.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Sharon Cooper of the 43rd
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Insurance**

### **HB 179 - Pharmacies; The Pharmacy Audit Bill of Rights; change certain provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 179 amends the Pharmacy Audit Bill of Rights: There shall be no recoupment of the cost of drugs or medicinal supplies allowed given that they were properly dispensed; a pharmacy shall be allowed at least 30 days to correct any clerical errors found during an audit or to appeal said audit report if it is considered to be unfavorable.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Andrew J. Welch of the 110th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Insurance**

### **HB 312 - Insurance; regulating insurance holding company systems; provide comprehensive revision of provisions**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 312 is the annual "housekeeping" bill for the Insurance Department. It updates laws concerning holding companies in the State of Georgia so that they conform to standards set by the National Association of Insurance Commissioners. It is necessary for the Department to maintain its accreditation.
- **Authored By:** Rep. John Carson of the 46th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Intragovernmental Coordination - Local**

### **HB 170 - Fulton County; ad valorem tax; exemption amount to \$60,000 after two-year phase-in period; increase**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to impose a cap in millage rates and to provide an increase in the homestead exemption from Fulton County ad valorem taxes for county purposes from \$30,000.00 to \$60,000.00 after a two-year phase-in period.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Jan Jones of the 47th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Intragovernmental Coordination - Local**

### **HB 241 - Atlanta, City of; Board of Education; change description of districts**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to reapportion the Atlanta Board of Education.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Pat Gardner of the 57th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Intragovernmental Coordination - Local**

### **HB 340 - Enigma, City of; provide four-year terms for mayor and city council**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide four-year terms of office for the mayor and city council in the City of Enigma.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Penny Houston of the 170th
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Intragovernmental Coordination - Local**

### **HB 342 - Senoia, City of; provide new charter**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to provide a new charter for the City of Senoia.
- **Authored By:** Rep. Matt Ramsey of the 72nd
- **Committee Action:** Do Pass



## **Intragovernmental Coordination - Local**

### **HB 353 - Trion, City of; provide for continuation and support of the independent school system of the town**

- BILL SUMMARY: A Bill to amend the charter of the Town of Trion so as to provide for the continuation and support of the independent school system of the town and to provide limitations on the holding of other offices by the school superintendent and members of the board of education.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Eddie Lumsden of the 12th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Juvenile Justice**

### **HB 219 - Juvenile proceedings; modification of orders of delinquency for children who are victims of sexual abuse or trafficking; provide**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 219 amends a couple Code provisions when a child was a victim of sexual abuse or trafficking.

Section 1 grants court discretion to modify or vacate a delinquency order if the child was adjudicated for a sex crime resulting from a minor being a victim of sexual servitude or exploitation.

Section 2 provides for the record to be sealed of a child adjudicated delinquent of a sex crime resulting from a minor being a victim of sexual servitude or exploitation.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Buzz Brockway of the 102nd

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## **Juvenile Justice**

### **HB 256 - Tobacco; regulation of cigar wraps; provide**

- BILL SUMMARY: HB 256 adds the definition of cigar wraps to the article dealing with tobacco use so that it will be regulated like other tobacco products.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Ben Harbin of the 122nd

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass

## **Regulated Industries**

### **HB 99 - Malt beverages; amount produced by a person in his or her private residence; change**

- BILL SUMMARY: House bill 99 makes changes to the provisions regarding malt beverages produced by a person in his or her residence and provides regulations for home-brew special events in the following manner:

- No more than 100 gallons may be produced in any private residence per calendar year if there is only one person of legal drinking age residing there;
- No more than 200 gallons may be produced in any private residence per calendar year if there are two or more persons of legal drinking age residing there;
- No more than 50 gallons may be produced in a 90 day period;
- Said malt beverages may only be consumed at the residence where produced and only by persons of legal drinking age, except for as provided by this Code section;
- Malt beverages produced may be transported and delivered by the producer for use at home-brew special events in a quantity not to exceed 25 gallons, in a sealed container;
- Transported malt beverages must be clearly labeled with the producer's name, address of residence where it was produced, name and address of special event location, and the permit number of the special event;
- A home-brew special event permit will cost \$50.00 and will be valid for no more than 6 events per calendar year;
- Consumption of malt beverages at home-brew special events will be limited to the participants and judges of the event;
- Any local governing authority that issues home-brew special event permits must adopt ordinances or resolutions governing these events; and
- Said beverages will not be sold or made available for consumption by the general public.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Jason Spencer of the 180th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

## Regulated Industries

### **HB 132 - Georgia Board of Pharmacy and Georgia Board of Dentistry; administratively attached to Department of Community Health; provide**

- BILL SUMMARY: House bill 132 transfers the administration of the Georgia State Board of Pharmacy and the Georgia Board of Dentistry from the Secretary of State to the Department of Community Health. These changes will take effect on July 1, 2013.

This legislation also provides additional powers of the Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency, including the ability to employ personnel who are not special agents and may contract with licensing boards to conduct investigations.

- **Authored By:** Rep. Lee Hawkins of the 27th

- **Committee Action:** Do Pass by Committee Substitute

*\* Bills passing committees are reported to the Clerk's Office, and are then placed on the General Calendar.*

## **COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE**

### **Thursday, February 21, 2013**

TBD	<a href="#">Floor Session (LD21)</a>	HOUSE CHAMBER (10:00am)
TBD	<a href="#">ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM</a>	Ante Room (Upon Adjournment)
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	<a href="#">NATURAL RESOURCES &amp; ENVIRONMENT</a>	606 CLOB
8:30 AM - 9:30 AM	<a href="#">Jacobs Subcommittee(Two) of Judiciary Civil</a>	132 CAP
9:00 AM - 10:00 AM	<a href="#">RULES</a>	341 CAP
1:30 PM - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">JUDICIARY NON-CIVIL</a>	415 CLOB
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	<a href="#">BANKS &amp; BANKING</a>	406 CLOB
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	<a href="#">Academic Support Subcommittee of Education</a>	515 CLOB
2:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">JUDICIARY CIVIL</a>	132 CAP
2:00 PM - 3:00 PM	<a href="#">TRANSPORTATION</a>	506 CLOB
3:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<a href="#">WAYS &amp; MEANS</a>	606 CLOB
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">INTRAGOVERNMENTAL COORDINATION</a>	403 CAP
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">DEFENSE &amp; VETERANS AFFAIRS</a>	515 CLOB
3:00 PM - 4:00 PM	<a href="#">GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS</a>	406 CLOB
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<a href="#">ETHICS</a>	406 CLOB
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	<a href="#">Setzler Subcommittee of Judiciary Non-Civil</a>	415 CLOB (Upon Adjournemnt of Full Committee)
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<a href="#">Ramsey Subcommittee of Judiciary Non-Civil</a>	506 CLOB

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